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Sir

This paper is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 26, 2010. Submitted herewith is a request for a 1-month extension of time, together with the appropriate fee. Also submitted herewith is the Supplemental Rule 1.132 Declaration of Markus Dierker in support of the patentability of the claims as presently amended. If any additional fees are required to further the prosecution of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1943.

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